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APPENDIX A

CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET  
REGISTRATION, SUBSCRIPTION, and STATISTICAL SERVICE  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Date 12/13/82

Full name CARL ERIC SIEKE  
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

Address 49 Fourth Street

City Souderton State PA Zip Code 18964

Date of birth 7/15/46 (This is important and should be exact.)

Approximate age 36 (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

Religion \_\_\_\_\_ Nationality \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation Physics High School Teacher

Education \_\_\_\_\_

Weight 150 Height 6'0" Race Caucasian

Color of hair Br Color of eyes \_\_\_\_\_

Outstanding characteristics or interests Aquatics ; Herpetology

Married or single Single Children 0  
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

Wife's name N/A

Scouting connections:

<u>Unit No.</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Date registered</u>	<u>Date resigned</u>
91	Harleysville	PA	SM	6/21/72	12/82

Special recognition \_\_\_\_\_

Suspended or denied registration for following reasons:

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SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND DENIAL OF REGISTRATION,  
AND LIST ATTACHED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (STATE ONLY KNOWN FACTS, NOT RUMOR,  
CONJECTURE, OR SPECULATION):

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JOSEPH L. ANGLIM

Signed

Council

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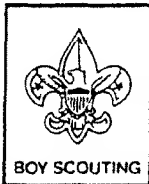
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March 2, 1984

Mr. Paul Ernst  
Reg./ Sub. Service  
Boy Scouts of America  
1325 Walnut Hill Lane  
Irving, TX 75062-1296

Dear Paul:

This is the latest on Carl Sieke and should complete the record.

If there is any further information we should forward please let me know.

Sincerely,

Elmer B. Greey, Jr.  
Administrative Assistant  
Scout Executive

EBG:rt

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THE REPORTER 2/28/84

## Former teacher sentenced on sex charges

By REGINA PETTIT  
Reporter Staff Writer

Former Souderton Area High School teacher Carl E. Sieke was sentenced Monday to 3½ to 10 years in state prison for engaging in deviate sexual intercourse with four pre-teen boys in his home during 1982.

Montgomery County Judge Anthony Scirica sentenced Sieke, 37, a former Boy Scout leader, camp counselor and physics teacher at Souderton Area High School for 14 years.

Sieke pleaded guilty to involuntary deviate sexual intercourse in December 1983. He was arrested in November 1982 after two boys, 8 and 9 years old, told their mothers that Sieke had performed oral sex with them in October

Sieke, a bachelor, testified during the sentencing hearing that his problem began insidiously and went out of control before he knew what was happening.

"I know there are people in Souderton who want to string me up. I don't blame them a bit. I would probably think the same thing," Sieke testified.

Formerly of Fourth St. in Souderton Borough, Sieke testified he has lived with his parents in Springfield, Delaware County, since his arrest. Sieke also said he has joined a gay group in Philadelphia.

While he was at Souderton Area High, Sieke testified, he was regarded as one of the best teachers there. He resigned after his arrest.

Sieke testified he had deviate sex with 20 young

boys over a period of 15 years.

After Sieke's arrest in connection with the 8- and 9-year-old boys, detectives linked him to activities with two other pre-teen boys that occurred from mid-1979 to mid-1981.

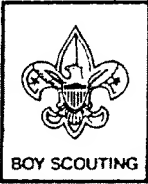
Detectives found 8mm films of young boys and photos of nude boys, some of which included Sieke, in Sieke's Souderton home. Assistant district attorney Alan Bailey said an elementary school teacher in the Souderton district identified some of those boys as local children, which led to the two additional arrests.

Bailey recommended a 5- to 19-year sentence for Sieke, while Sieke's lawyer, Francis Ricchuitti, recommended a long period of probation and thousands of hours of community service.

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December 12, 1983

Mr. Paul Ernst  
Director-Registration  
Boy Scouts of America  
1325 Walnut Hill Lane  
Irving, TX 75062-1296

RE: Carl E. Sieke

Dear Paul:

The enclosed newspaper clipping on CARL SIEKE should allow you to close this file. If we have more we will forward it.

Sincerely yours,

Elmer B. Greey, Jr.  
Administrative Assistant  
Scout Executive

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F. STARON

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To sex charges

-12/2/83-

# Area teacher pleads guilty

By REGINA PETTIT  
Reporter Staff Writer

A former Souderton Area High School physics teacher and Boy Scout leader pleaded guilty Thursday to having deviate sexual intercourse with four pre-teen boys in his home.

Carl E. Sieke, 39, entered his plea before Montgomery County Judge Anthony Scirica, who ordered a pre-sentence investigation and one-day psychiatric evaluation at Norristown State Hospital.

Sieke, described at the time of his arrest as a man who was so trusted in the community that parents allowed their children to stay overnight with him, could get up to 40 to 80 years in prison.

First assistant district attorney G. Alan Bailey said Thursday he has received dozens of "strong letters and petitions" from residents of Souderton, Telford and Harleysville pressing him to prosecute the case to the fullest and get Sieke's \$50,000 bail increased. Bailey said Sieke is now free on \$68,000 since his parents posted their house in Springfield, Delaware County, where Sieke is now living.

Bailey said Sieke is taking graduate courses in computer science at Villanova University, but he did not know if Sieke has a job.

Charges of indecent assault, corruption of minors and endangering the

welfare of children were dropped Thursday, Bailey said.

Sieke was arrested in November 1982 after two boys, 8 and 9 years old, told their mothers Sieke had performed oral sex with them in October, Bailey said. The boys gave statements to county detectives that Nov. 24, Bailey said.

Detectives found 8mm films of young boys, and photos of nude boys, some of which included Sieke himself, in Sieke's former home on Fourth St. in Souderton Borough, Bailey said.

Bailey said an elementary schoolteacher in the Souderton district identified some boys in the photos as local children, which led to Sieke's arrest on two other deviate sex charges. Those acts with pre-teen boys occurred from mid-1979 to mid-1981, Bailey said.

Upon his arrest, Sieke, a bachelor, resigned after 14 years of teaching. Authorities have said children enjoyed visiting Sieke's home because he kept snakes and had video games.



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# Sex molester gets term of 3 1/2-10 years

By John Hekking

Special to The Inquirer

A former Souderton High School physics teacher was sentenced yesterday to 3 1/2 to 10 years in prison for sexually molesting four young boys in his home during the fall of 1982.

Carl Eric Sieke, 37, who also was a Boy Scout leader and a camp counselor in the Souderton area, pleaded guilty before Montgomery County Judge Anthony J. Scirica on Dec. 1 to four counts of involuntary deviate sexual intercourse.

First Assistant District Attorney G. Alan Bailey said Sieke was charged with committing various sexual acts with the boys, who were between the ages of eight and 12, after luring them into his home on the first block of Fourth Street, Souderton, under the pretext of letting them play video games. Bailey said Sieke kept diaries of his exploits and that he had taken pornographic photographs of the boys.

Sieke, who now lives with his parents at their home in Springfield, Delaware County, resigned from his post at Souderton High after his arrest in November 1982. He had been a physics teacher at the high school for 14 years.

Looking pale and drawn, Sieke told Scirica at the sentencing hearing that he had sexual relationships with about 20 young boys over a period of about 15 years, beginning when he was a counselor at a summer camp in Montgomery County.

"The problem began so insidiously that I was completely out of control before I realized what was happening," Sieke said.

"I know there are people in the community who want to string me up. I don't blame them a bit."

Bailey said that investigators became aware of Sieke's behavior when two of the boys told their parents they had been abused, and that the parents reported the incidents to police. He said that at least two victims have developed psychological problems as a result of the incidents and are undergoing therapy.

After acknowledging that Sieke had been regarded as an excellent teacher and had an IQ of over 150, Scirica said yesterday that "I can't help remark that a person with your insights should have known better."

Sieke's attorney, Francis Recchuiti, said yesterday that he would appeal the sentence on the ground that it was overly harsh.

Phila. Inquirer

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September 8, 1983

Mr. Albert L. Smith  
Scout Executive  
Valley Forge Council, No. 507

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Carl Eric Sieke

Dear Al:

Thank you for the detailed information concerning the above Scouter. We have reviewed this case with our Attorney and have now placed this man on the Confidential File.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director  
Registration Subscription &  
Statistical Service

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cc: Northeast Region  
William C. Reilly, Area Director, Northeast Region

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September 7, 1983

Mr. Elmer B. Greey, Jr.  
Administrative Assistant  
Scout Executive  
Valley Forge Council, No. 507

SUBJECT: CARL ERIC SIEKE

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Elmer:

Thank you for the information on Carl Eric Sieke. From what you have said, apparently the case has been dropped because of lack of testimony from individuals involved.

I am going to try and keep this case on our files because of the nature and the evidence you have already sent. If you do find out anything else, please do not hesitate to let us have this information.

Thanks again for all your help in the past.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director  
Registration, Subscription &  
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cc: Northeast Region

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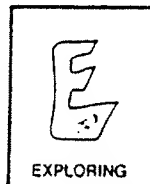
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LET ME  
SEE YOU



August 31, 1983

Mr. Paul Ernst  
Director, Registration Serv.  
Boy Scouts of America  
1325 Walnut Hill Lane  
Irving, TX 75062-1296

RE: Carl Eric Sieke..CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Paul:

We have not had any further formal information regarding the disposition of the Sieke case.

It is my understanding, per the district executive serving the area, that no further action has been taken because the involved parents do not want their children to be subjected to the psychological stress that would occur.

Is there anything else you wish us to do?

Sincerely yours,

Elmer B. Greey, Jr.  
Administrative Assistant  
Scout Executive

EBG:rt

cc: A. Smith

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August 8, 1983

Mr. Albert L. Smith  
Scout Executive  
Valley Forge Council, No. 507

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: CARL ERIC SIEKE

Dear Al:

Late last year we had correspondence concerning an individual by the name of Carl Eric Sieke. This individual had been registered as scoutmaster of Troop 91 in Harleysville, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Sieke was charged with sexual relations with youth and you sent us several newspaper clippings relating to this. We would now like to know if this case was completed by trial and what sentencing may have taken place. This will strengthen our file and close the case.

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director  
Registration, Subscription &  
Statistical Service

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cc: Northeast Region

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PRIORITY SEPARATION

COUNCIL NO. 507

UNIT NO. 91

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Carl Eric Sieke	49 4 <sup>th</sup> St.	Souderton	Pa. 18964		Sm.

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December 21, 1982

Mr. Elmer B. Greey, Jr.  
Administrative Assistant Scout Executive  
Valley Force Council, No. 507

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Elmer:

Thank you for the information on Carl Eric Sieke. We appreciate all the information which you have sent. This will be most helpful in refusing registration at a later date.

The information which you have sent us is quite complete, but we will need the final sentencing which may take place.

Please keep me informed of any other information which you receive so that we will be able to complete our entire file.

BEST WISHES FOR A GOOD HOLIDAY SEASON!

Sincerely,

Paul I. Ernst, Director  
Registration, Subscription &  
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cc: Northeast Region

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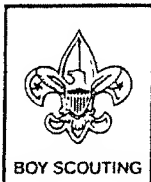
DAVID HASTON

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PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

December 14, 1982

Mr. Paul Ernst  
Director - Reg., Subsc. & Stat.  
Council Services Division  
Boy Scouts of America  
1325 Walnut Hill Lane  
Irving, TX 75062-1296

Dear Paul:

Enclosed is a request to place Carl Eric Sieke in the confidential file. The attached news articles are self-explanatory. We have removed all mailing plates, etc.

If you need additional information please contact us.

Sincerely yours,

Elmer B. Greey, Jr.  
Administrative Assistant  
Scout Executive

EBG:rt  
Enclosures

cc: A. Smith

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# Montco teacher charged with molesting 2 boys at his home

By Robert McSherry

A teacher at Souderton High School has been arrested on charges that he lured two young boys to his home last month on the pretext that they would play video games, and then sexually molested them, Montgomery County authorities said yesterday.

Detectives for the Montgomery County District Attorney's Office said that the teacher also kept diaries recording sexual episodes he had with other boys over the last seven years and that he had taken pornographic photographs of the boys.

Detectives said the teacher, Carl Eric Sieke, 38, who also served as a Boy Scout leader in Montgomery County and a camp counselor, was arrested Friday at his home in the first block of Fourth Street, Souderton.

Detectives said Sieke was charged with two counts each of involuntary deviate sexual intercourse, indecent assault, corruption of minors and endangering the welfare of children.

Detectives said Sieke's arrest came as the result of two incidents, Oct. 30 and Oct. 31, involving two boys, an 8-year-old and a 9-year-old who lived in his neighborhood. Sieke was ar-

raigned on those charges by District Justice Grant Mussleman of Souderton and released on \$5,000 bail pending a preliminary hearing Monday.

Albert Mancini, principal of Souderton High School, said Sieke submitted his resignation yesterday in a short letter citing "personal reasons." Mancini said that Sieke had been a respected physics teacher at the high school for 14 years and that he was dismayed to hear of the charges against him.

"He was an excellent teacher, a wonderful classroom teacher," Mancini said, "and the kids really liked him."

Detective, Ed Schneegas, a sex-crimes investigator in the District Attorney's Detective Bureau, said authorities had become aware of Sieke's behavior when the boys told their parents that they had been abused and the parents reported the incidents to police. He said a subsequent search of Sieke's home had revealed evidence of a continuing pattern of sexual abuse of children.

"He kept a record of what he was doing," Schneegas said.

Schneegas said investigators had found five diaries dating to 1975 that inventoried his sexual exploits with

young boys. "There's a lot of kids involved," Schneegas said.

Schneegas said that Sieke had befriended young boys, normally about 10 years of age, by inviting them to his home to play video games. Later he said, Sieke would get permission from the boys' parents, because he was a scout leader, to take their sons on camping trips. Sometimes Schneegas said, he even received permission for the boys to spend the night at his home.

Schneegas said that Sieke remained under investigation and that other charges against him were pending.

Tuesday, Nov. 30, 1982 Philadelphia Inquirer

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was found by state police in a  
conscious state and died while  
troopers tried to remove her  
from the car, state police said. There  
were no other injuries.

### Former teacher arraigned on charges of molestation

A former teacher at Souderton High School who was arrested last month on charges of sexually molesting two young boys has been charged with similar offenses involving two other youths, Montgomery County District Attorney Joseph A. Smyth Jr., announced yesterday.

Smyth said Carl Eric Sieke, 38, of the first block of Fourth Street, Sou-

derthon, was released on \$70,000 bail after his arraignment yesterday on charges of involuntary deviate sexual intercourse, corruption of minors, indecent exposure and other charges.

According to police records, Sieke, who was also a Boy Scout leader and a camp counselor, is charged with having sexual intercourse with the two boys, ages 16 and 17, in May 1981 and on other occasions during the two years before that. Sieke, who resigned from Souderton High School three days after his arrest, was originally charged with sexually molesting two boys, an 8-year-old and a 9-year-old, on Oct. 30 and Oct. 31, 1982.

### Women acquitted in protest against abortion services

Two anti-abortionist activists were acquitted yesterday in Delaware County Court of defiant trespass and conspiracy charges that stemmed from their attempts to block the entrance to a Chester abortion clinic.

Miriam and Joan Andrews of Newark, Del., who are sisters, were acquitted by a jury that deliberated for about two hours at the county courthouse in Media. Miriam, 23, and Joan, 34, were accused of stationing themselves at the entrance to the clinic at Crozer-Chester Medical Center and

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# Charges In Incidents Involving Youths

has been set for 3 p.m. before District Judge Grant Musselman, Souderton, for a Souderton Area School physics teacher charged with deviate sex involving eight- and nine-year-olds.

Carl E. Sieke, 36, of 49 North st., Souderton, a teacher at the school district for 13 years, a Boy Scout Leader with post 91 in Harleysville, a camp counselor and Big Brother, was arrested Friday at his home following an investigation by the Montgomery County Sex Crimes Unit and the Souderton Borough police.

Sieke, who has moved out of his home, is free on \$50,000 bail pending Monday's hearing.

Sieke was arraigned on Friday morning before Justice Musselman and charged with two counts of involuntary deviate sexual intercourse, indecent assault, corruption of minors and endangering the welfare of children.

Sieke submitted his resignation on Monday, and cleared out his collection of snakes and rats which he has used for a number of years in experiments and educational programs for his physics students.

Dr. William Maxwell, superintendent, said Sieke was expected to clear out his personal effects this week, and he is being replaced by a temporary substitute, Keith Rosenberger, who holds a BS in physics from Lehigh.

Both Dr. Maxwell and High School Principal Albert Mancini expressed shock over the charges against Sieke, a respected teacher who had built the physics program over the years from three to five sections due to the demand for the course.

Mancini said, "This thing caught me by surprise. The guy was an excellent teacher and the kids liked him. He really built up the physics program."

The arrest of Sieke came after the parents of the two youths came to the Child and Youth Services Department of Montgomery County to report the alleged sexual abuse which had taken place over a two-month period when the boys visited the Sieke home for several hours each day.

The youths originally had told a friend of their encounters with Sieke, and then told parents of the incidents including actual sex acts on Oct. 30 and 31. The youths said the visits to the home included the making and viewing of pornographic pictures, picture-taking sessions, and the viewing of pornographic books. Sieke had asked the youths to keep the acts a secret.

After the alleged incidents were reported to the Child and Youth Services, a representative of the department went to the Montgomery County District Attorney's office which ordered an investigation by the Sex Crimes Unit.

Edward Schneegas, Montgomery County Detective, said after several days of investigation with the Souderton police they had sufficient information

confiscated from the home were diaries dating back to 1975 outlining sexual activities with various young boys. Polaroid shots of sex acts with young boys and 41 child pornographic books along with other pornography materials.

Schneegas said, "He's been doing this for a long time." The detective said his department is conducting an ongoing investigation and will attempt to identify persons in the various photographs and films found in the home. Schneegas said Sieke was not making the films and pictures for distribution.

Schneegas said that everything the former teacher did involved young boys, as he was a Boy Scout leader. Big Brother and camp counselor. Sieke had the respect and trust of the community and youths often visited his home to play video games, ping pong, camp out in

his back yard, or view the various reptiles and rodents he kept as pets. Some of the materials confiscated from the home show evidence of the use of the snakes in some of the encounters.

Police are now sorting through his files of pictures and diaries detailing his encounters, something typical of "pedophilla," according to police.

The charges against Sieke have attracted the attention of Philadelphia television news crews who attempted to interview Souderton administrators, students and Sieke's neighbors. The TV crews were told to leave the high school by the administration in that they were disrupting the school day.

On a television interview with an elderly neighbor of Sieke's the woman alleged that the Souderton Borough police "knew" (Continued on page A-6)



CARL E. SIEKE

## Teacher Arrested

(Continued from page one)

several years ago there was a problem at the home. Sgt. Charles Quinn, acting police chief, said "That statement is totally without foundation." He said Souderton police had been to the home previously on several occasions, once to retrieve one of Sieke's large snakes which had gotten loose, and another time, about a year ago, to bring in a runaway teenager from Norristown to whom Sieke had given temporary shelter. *Montgomery County Times*, Sept. 12, 1977.

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Free Press Staff  
SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP —  
The North Central Oil Corp. will  
meet with residents of Springfield  
Township tonight at 8 to discuss and  
answer questions on the leasing of  
land in the township for the exploration  
and drilling for oil and natural  
gas.

North Central, based in Houston,  
Texas, believes there may be oil in  
Springfield, Durham, and  
Lockamixon townships, and would  
like to do further exploration and  
drilling. This will involve leasing of  
1000 to 10,000 acres in the three  
townships.

In order to do the exploration and  
drilling, North Central must secure  
leases from landowners. The corporation  
has obtained about 10  
leases, according to Frank H.  
Newton, senior land representative  
for the company, in Durham and  
Lockamixon townships. He did not  
know how much acreage was involved.

The corporation is offering the  
landowners \$5 an acre for a five-  
year lease, plus "royalties" if oil or  
gas is found on their property.  
Royalties equal about one-eighth of  
the worth or the cash equivalent of  
one out of every eight barrels  
produced. Newton calls these provisions  
"standard" in the oil business  
for a "wildcat" area such as upper  
Slick with no proven reserves.

He stresses that what is not  
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downer and neighboring properties  
in case of damage to the land.  
Included in the agreement is an indemnity  
bond of \$50,000 for each  
well drilled.

Something that may hamper the  
exploration and drilling are properties  
under Acts 319 and 515, the farm  
land preservation and open space  
acts. Many farmers and landowners  
in upper Bucks take advantage of  
the acts which allow lower taxes for  
those who actively farm or agree to

No final decision has been made  
by the Bucks County Board of Assess-  
ments as to whether leasing land  
for oil exploration would be a viola-  
tion of the covenants made by the  
landowners.

The meeting will be in the  
Springfield Township building,  
Township Road, off Route 212, near  
Pleasant Valley. The public is in-  
vited whether or not they have been  
contacted by the North Central Oil  
Corp.

THE REPORTER  
NOV 30, 1982  
FRONT PAGE

## Souderton teacher charged in sex crimes

By Sandy Moyer  
Free Press Staff

SOUDERTON — A former  
Souderton Area High School physics  
teacher is free on \$50,000 bail after  
his arrest Friday for allegedly sex-  
ually assaulting two borough youths  
at his home.

Carl E. Sieke, 36, of 49 Fourth St.,  
Souderton, was charged with two  
counts each of voluntary deviant  
sexual intercourse, indecent as-  
sault, corruption of minors and en-  
dangering the welfare of children.  
Detectives from the Montgomery  
County District Attorney's office in  
Norristown arrested Sieke after a  
search of his residence uncovered  
child pornography items and diaries  
the teacher allegedly kept involving  
his sexual encounters with young  
boys over the past seven years.

Sieke's arrest was the result of  
Oct. 30 and 31 incidents involving an  
8- and 9-year-old boys at Sieke's  
home. County detectives said Sieke  
reportedly lured the children to his  
house promising them they could  
play video games, and then sexually  
molested them. The children then  
told their parents about the incident,  
who then notified law enforcement  
authorities.

Montgomery County Detective  
Edward H. Schneegas, of the sex  
crimes unit, said police are in-  
vestigating numerous other inci-  
dents involving young boys and ad-  
ditional charges may be filed at a  
later date.

"We're working on it right now as  
far as the information goes," said  
Schneegas.

Sieke is scheduled to appear Mon-  
day, Dec. 6 at 3 p.m. before District  
Justice Grant Musselman, of  
Souderton, for a preliminary hear-  
ing.

According to school ad-  
ministrators, Sieke was well liked  
by students and his fellow staff dur-  
ing his 13-year tenure as a district  
employee.

"He was an excellent teacher,"  
according to Souderton Area High  
School principal Albert Mancini.  
"The kids liked him and he had a  
wonderful program going here."

Mancini said when Sieke was  
hired, he taught courses in both  
physics and physical science, but an  
additional teacher was hired to take  
over the physical science program  
since his physics course became so  
popular.

Mancini estimated about 100 or  
150 seniors and accelerated 11th  
graders were presently being taught  
physics by Sieke.

Sieke also was involved with an in-  
school club dealing with snakes. The  
club met during activity periods on  
school time.

Both Mancini and Schools  
Superintendent Dr. William E. Max-  
well confirmed that Sieke formally  
submitted his resignation on Mon-  
day and has not been to classes since  
school recessed for the Thanksgiv-  
ing holidays last Wednesday. A sub-  
stitute teacher will take his place  
until the school board hires a  
replacement, most likely at its next  
meeting.

Maxwell said Sieke came to the  
district from Delaware County.  
After talking with Sieke at his ar-  
raignment Friday, Maxwell said  
Sieke has moved from his borough  
home back to his parents' Delaware  
County home.

"From observations I've read and  
reports, he was an outstanding  
teacher in the classroom," said the  
superintendent who recently sub-  
mitted his resignation and plans to  
retire soon. "We've had no indica-  
tions of his alleged proclivities and,  
frankly, it was quite a shock. As far  
as we knew, he was a rather nice  
young man."

Sieke was also a Boy Scout leader  
for Troop 91, which included  
youngsters in the Harleysville and  
Souderton-Telford area.

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